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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of

Tsuyoshi INOUE et al.

Appln. No.: 09/311,753 Group Art Unit: ~~1734~~ 1773

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For: SHEET FOR PROTECTING PAINT FILMS OF AUTOMOBILES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1. (Amended) A sheet for protecting paint films of automobiles, which comprises a support comprising a polymer film [having] laminated on one or both surfaces of a non-woven fabric [laminated on one or both surfaces ~~thereof~~], and a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer formed on one surface of said polymer film.

REMARKS

The above amendment clarifies the scope of claim 1, consistent with the disclosure (see examples and Figs. 1 and 2), without introduction of any new matter. Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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